

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chair Dave Lewis, on March 2, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dave Lewis, Chairman (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Alan Olson (R)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzonried (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Jason Priest (R)
Sen. Jon Sonju (R)
Sen. Carol Williams (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Taryn Purdy, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 42, 3/22/2011; HB 34, 3/22/2011; HB 38, 3/22/2011;

HEARING ON HB 42

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:17 Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 42, Transfer fund balance from coal bed methane account to general fund.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:36 Mary Sexton, Director, Department of Natural Resources (DNRC)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:08:06 Sen. Keane
00:08:22 Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:08:53 Sen. Hawks
00:09:09 Sen. Priest and Sen. Caferro now present
00:09:43 Director Sexton, DNRC
00:10:32 Sen. Hamlett
00:10:54 Director Sexton
00:11:22 Sen. Olson
00:11:41 Director Sexton
00:12:25 Sen. Olson
00:12:37 Director Sexton

Closing by Sponsor:

00:12:54 Sen. Hollenbaugh

HEARING ON HB 34

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:13:52 Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D), HD 22, opened the hearing on HB 34, Split DPHHS Tobacco Settlement Fund.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:14:58 Amy Sessano, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

00:16:07 Jackie Boyle, State Auditor's Office (SAO)

00:21:56 Drew Geiger, Montana Comprehensive Health Association (MCHA)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:22:19 Sen. Ripley

00:22:51 Ms. Boyle, SAO

00:24:06 Marie Matthews, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

00:24:49 Sen. Ripley

00:25:02 Ms. Matthew, DPHHS

00:25:33 Sen. Barrett

00:25:46 Ms. Sessano, OBPP

00:27:04 Sen. Caferro

00:27:25 Ms. Boyle

00:27:45 Carol Roy, SAO

00:28:25 Sen. Caferro

00:29:01 Ms. Roy

00:30:06 Sen. Caferro

00:30:41 Ms. Roy

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:29 Rep. Schmidt

HEARING ON HB 38

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:32:31 Rep. Carlie Boland (D), HD 23, opened the hearing on HB 38, Extend bond validating act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:34:09 Pat McNamee, Department of Administration (DOA)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:46 Sen. Zinke
00:36:11 Ms. McNamee, DOA
00:36:44 Sen. Zinke
00:36:47 Ms. McNamee
00:37:23 Sen. Zinke
00:37:29 Sen. Olson
00:37:51 Ms. McNamee
00:38:22 Sen. Barrett
00:38:41 Ms. McNamee
00:38:51 Sen. Barrett
00:39:02 Ms. McNamee
00:39:37 Chairman Lewis
00:40:35 Sen. Barrett
00:40:54 Chairman Lewis

Closing by Sponsor:

00:41:40 Rep. Boland

00:42:54 Sen. Lewis

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:14

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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